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## Editorial Comment

## Not Half-Baked, But Raw.

Although it is gratifying to our journalistic pride, and highly titillating to our sense of humor, to observe that a contemporary reproduces pur news items verbatim, still the compliment is not without its seamy side.

On Wednesday, the evening paper published an interesting story concerning the finding on the desert of the body of George Bisbee, a former resident of Prescott. This article was prefixed with the date line of Tucson, Aug. 18. This same story was printed in the Journal-Miner on Saturday, August 14. Witness the following:

## JOURNAL-MINER STORY:

What is believed to be the body of George Bisbee, was found recently on the desert that borders on the Panamint range of mountains in southern California, and the supposition is that he perished from thirst.

Mr. Bisbee several years ago was a resident of Prescott, following various lines of trade work, and was generally recognized as an advanced man in mining and milling. He was a member of the G. A. R. and on entering the army of the union adopted the name of Bisbee to conceal his identity from relatives. His real name was Taylor. He was a contributor to the Arizona Miner on mineralogical subjects, and was conversant with the mechanical end of the printing business. He made quite a fortune in Nevada, and has been identified with many mines on the borders of Death Valley.

On his person were several small business cards that had his name together with "Prescott, Arizona," thereon. The body was so badly decomposed that it was impossible to identify the features. Nearby were his two mules, also dead.

The last seen of Bisbee alive was three weeks previous to the finding of his remains, and it is said that he had gone to locate at another point and prospect the country adjacent.

He was about 62 years of age, entering the army when very young. He was a native of Tennessee.

If this story were received over the wires, as it purports to be, we are not surprised, as the United Press is usually behind the times; but, if it were boldly and bodily extracted from the Journal-Miner and given the verisimilitude of a genuine telegram, we desire to register a mild but mellifluous protest. If our esteemed journalistic humorists up the street lack the ability to get the news, or unfortunately be so financially distressed as to be unable to employ experienced talent that can get it, they are welcome to peaceably purloin from the Journal-Miner's columns, whenever exigency may demand it, provided, of course, that credit be given to the original source. But to use a local news story 4 days old, and masquerade the same as a dispatch from an outside town, is not half-baked journalism—it is redolently raw.

Flowers and choice edibles are being sent to a horse thief in jail by the young ladies of a Virginia town. In Prescott—well, why should any such surmise be entertained for it is a fact universally known that the dimpled darlings of the Queen City are long on gray matter and are not carried away by mawkish sentiment.

Despite all the talk of the possibility of certain sections of Yavapai county going "dry," we wish to remark that at present we are still having our daily rains and there is every indication that they will continue. Also, the rains are quite wet as umbrella-less pedestrians will affirm.

## Advertisers For Prescott.

Every city in the United States is constantly striving for legitimate advertising and Prescott is no exception. It is realized by the citizens here that the more widely known Prescott becomes throughout the country the better it is for this city.

Consequently it is with pride that we call attention to the fact that the Associated Press which is taken in this city solely by the Journal-Miner chronicled in every city of any importance in this country the fact that President Taft had decided to change his itinerary in order that he might pay a visit to the Queen City of this Territory. Through its connection in Prescott, this great news-gathering organization sent to all of its members the news when Governor Sloan announced that he had wired President Taft, urging his to change his itinerary so as to include Phoenix and Prescott.

Any item of news regarding the Chief Executive of the Nation is considered most important and as a consequence when the announcement in the change of the President's route was made, the name of Prescott appeared prominent in all of the larger newspapers as well as in the smaller ones receiving the Associated Press. This city, thereby, received advertising that an investment of thousands of dollars could not buy.

PRESCOTT PIONEER  
WOMAN LAID  
TO RESTMany Friends Attend  
Funeral of Mrs. E. I.  
Roberts

(From Tuesday's Daily)  
Funeral services for Mrs. E. I. Roberts were held Sunday afternoon and her remains now lie beside those of her husband, who passed away seven years ago.

The funeral took place from the late residence on North Pleasant street, where Mrs. Roberts resided for many years. Rev. H. W. Lathe, of the Congregational church, officiated at the services, Mrs. Roberts having been a member of that church.

Following the remains to the grave was a large number of friends and relatives, it being one of the largest corteges seen in this city in recent years. Many attended from the outside to still further attest to the beautiful character of the deceased.

Floral tributes were profuse, and sorrow was expressed by all over her death. The pallbearers were Messrs. R. H. Burmister, J. A. Tobin, A. J. Head, M. B. Hazeltine, T. W. Otis, J. I. Gardner. Maus & Shannon directed the funeral.

TAFT'S STAY HERE WILL  
BE LIMITED TO AN HOUR

(From Thursday's Daily)  
Details of the itinerary of President Taft from Maricopa to the Grand Canyon on the occasion of his visit to Arizona on October 13, on which day he will visit Prescott, were received here yesterday.

The details were telephoned from Tucson to the office of R. E. Morrison in this city, Mr. Morrison being the member of the Republican executive committee from this county.

The itinerary had been telegraphed to National Committeeman W. S. Sturges in Tucson by Fred Carpenter, secretary to President Taft, with instructions that a copy be forwarded to Mr. Morrison.

The schedule shows that the president's special will leave the main line of the Southern Pacific at Maricopa shortly before noon on October 13, the president coming from California. The special will reach Phoenix shortly after noon and will remain there for an hour.

It will arrive in Prescott at 6:20 and the chief executive will then be the guest of the Queen City for an hour. When his visit here is completed he will continue his journey northward, spending the night at Ash Fork. On October 14, he will go sight seeing at the Grand Canyon.

Formal arrangements for the reception of the president in Prescott have not yet been made but these will be attended to in due time.

The detailed itinerary from Maricopa to Ash Fork and thence to the Grand Canyon is as follows:

Wednesday, October 13.  
Arrive. Leave.  
11:15 a.m. Maricopa 11:20 a.m.  
12:20 p.m. Phoenix 1:20 p.m.  
6:20 p.m. Prescott 7:20 p.m.  
9:20 p.m. Ash Fork

Thursday, October 14.  
Arrive. Leave.  
Ash Fork 4:20 a.m.  
9:00 a.m. Grand Canyon

Hire's Root Beer, delicious, healthful, refreshing. Prescott Bottling Works, sole agent for Yavapai county.

BOY IS SERIOUSLY  
HURT ON A SWING

(From Sunday's Daily)  
Frank Ferguson, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ferguson of Camp Wood, was seriously injured Friday afternoon at his parents' home at that place, and last evening he was brought to this city in order that he might receive medical attention, Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson coming with him.

The boy was swinging himself under the porch of his home, and through some manner not accounted for fell through the seat in the swing, his back striking against a projecting board on the floor, while the swing was in motion. From that moment he has been unable to handle himself in any manner whatever.

It is not known whether his back is broken, but that there is a serious contusion is evident from his helpless condition and his total inability to handle himself. He is not able to bear his own weight on his feet and cannot even sit up in a chair or raise his body. He has the use of his feet only. At the time of this unfortunate accident, Mrs. Ferguson was along, her husband being engaged in range work.

A few minutes before 8 o'clock that night—Friday—Asa Bozarth came up on horseback, and learning the seriousness of the situation, started at 9 o'clock for Prescott at the fastest pace his horse could travel. He reached the city at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, changing horses at Stewart's ranch in Williamson valley.

Dr. Southworth was immediately summoned. He made part of the trip to the ranch in an automobile. Owing to the impassable roads beyond Williamson valley, Dr. Southworth abandoned his machine at Stewart's ranch and went on to Camp Wood in a vehicle furnished by Clarence Stewart, returning in the same manner. He then took his auto to this city.

The ride of youth Bozarth is a notable one. He had been in the saddle all the day previous to reaching the Ferguson ranch, traveling at least 50 miles from Chino valley, in a roundabout way. From Camp Wood to Prescott is 45 miles, and in this feat which he accomplished in less than six hours over a country that was soggy and badly cut up by the heavy rains he has certainly made a record in horseback riding that it would be difficult to equal. In less than 24 hours he estimates the distance he traveled is at least 100 miles on horseback. He experienced no disagreeable effects, saying that after he reached this city he was good for another trip, if emergency called for it.

Dr. Southworth says that if the roads had been opened, he could have also made a record run, but at Williamson valley it was impossible for any vehicle to get across it, and his team of horses had a hard pull until the hilly section was reached leading into Camp Wood.

## FIRES ARE SPREADING.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 21.—Forest fires along the borders of the Couer d'Alene reserve are spreading in a sweeping path five miles wide through a thinly settled region. The homes of 50 or more settlers are endangered and it is said some have been burned already.

## ROBBER LYNCHED.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Aug. 21.—News reached here tonight that W. H. Oakley, paymaster for the Franklin Construction company, had been killed and robbed of \$2,000 at Rock, W. Va. The slayer was captured by a posse and lynched, according to reports.

The daily question in Tucson: Who is next in line for the municipal as-

BRINGS BACK BRIDE  
FROM ERIN'S  
ISLERomance Begun Near  
Prescott Culminated  
In Ireland

(From Tuesday's Daily)  
Daniel Condon, accompanied by a bride, passed through the city Sunday afternoon, coming direct from Ireland. They were en route to their future home at Walnut Grove. Associated with the marriage of this young man there is a pretty story that borders very nearly on the fairland of romance, and which takes the principals back to the days of childhood.

To Arizona twenty years ago from Ireland came Mr. and Mrs. Fitzsimmons, well to do people of the green isle. They were accompanied by their pretty daughter, Stella. They leased the old Condron homestead. After a few years the Fitzsimmons family returned, to their native land, where the head of the family later passed away some years later.

Condon met the young miss while she was here with her parents and all these years the days of her girlhood were never forgotten. Though leagues separated by sea and land the friendship of Condon and Miss Fitzsimmons continued to grow and finally ripened into love. Three months ago young Condon left the old place and went direct to the home of his fiancée, where they were wedded.

Now after nearly 14 years Mr. and Mrs. Condon are again among their childhood scenes. He is a frugal young man and is quite popular throughout the country.

His bride is a typical young woman of Erin's Isle. She is endowed with fascinating manners and charming personality. She said she was delighted to again go to the old place.

Mr. Condon was born at the place where he will take his bride and make his future home. He is a son of Mrs. Abbie Condon, an esteemed lady of the pioneer colony. She recently visited the place where her son claimed his bride, and is pained at his return as a benedict.

HANDY WITH CHECK;  
NOW PASSES IS IN JAIL

(From Thursday's Daily)  
Another alleged check artist, one of those oily individuals that has millions in sight but not a sou to his name, started to work this burg a few days ago, like the sleek Adams, but he only got as far as a five dollar piece of paper, and its equivalent in cash, when he was run down at the game and incidentally into the county jail. His name is Joseph H. Garrett, and the signature to his alleged worthless paper bore the fictitious name of "G. H. Clark & Co." He started to feel the pulse of this section, as it were, and adopted the swift moving process of a railroad train Sunday as the method, and when the Crown King excursion was on the boards. Entering a coach he flashed the paper on the conductor, but that was useless, as the men who handle trains are generally familiar with the "flash in the pan" methods of bunco work. He then went up the aisle, and realizing that Ed. Shumate was running a small sized mint from soda water and ice cream sales, he presented the paper and took a sour soda to make the play good. He got off at Humboldt and was in the act of running out some more slag when he was intercepted. Last night he was brought to this city and lodged in the county jail. As soon as it is deemed expedient he will be given a preliminary hearing, the delay in arraigning him being due to the belief that he is wanted on similar charges wherever he has traveled of late. This is the third check artist in nearly as many weeks to infest this section. Probably they have heard that prosperity is on the jump since the Humboldt smelter is to start up again.

## STORK'S VISIT.

The entire force of the Hill Hardware company are at present engaged in looking over baby carriage catalogues, and the auto trade is at a discount, all due to the announcement that comes from West Prescott that a little girl has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hill, which pleasant event took place Sunday. Mr. Hill is at present on the range at Camp Wood, looking after his range interests. He will hereafter have an opportunity to look after interests closer to home, and with Mrs. Hill he is the recipient of many congratulations from numerous friends.

MUCH WANTED MAN  
CAUGHT AT  
NEEDLESGonzales, Alleged Stabber  
Captured in California  
Town

(From Tuesday's Daily)  
Yesterday a telegram was received at the sheriff's office stating that Carmen Gonzales had been captured at Needles, Cal., and requesting that an officer come for him.

Accordingly Deputy Sheriff Joe Cook will leave this morning to bring the man back. He is wanted for the alleged crime of stabbing Reto Bernal in the back, the latter receiving four ugly wounds a week ago last Sunday. The affray took place near the depot, in the vicinity of the section house.

At the time of the crime it was very dark. Bernal says there was no provocation whatever for anyone to attempt to take his life, and to stealthily assault him from behind. His wounds for several days were considered serious, but yesterday he was able to leave his room for a short time. He is confined at the house, and shows the ill effects of his narrow escape from death. He claims that Gonzales did the stabbing and says he believes Gonzales thought Bernal had been killed and fled from the city.

Gonzales traveled overland from Prescott to the Needles, and notwithstanding all efforts of Sheriff Smith to locate him, he was not seen until he was caught yesterday. He must have traveled away from all settlements intervening, and probably went to the river town as no other avenue was open for him to cross the Colorado into California.

INVESTORS LOOKING TOWARD  
WESTERN FIELDS.

(From Friday's Daily)  
Returning from a general trip to eastern points, O. L. Geer, president of the Arizona Gold company, operating in Southern Yavapai, gave a very interesting statement of the return of prosperous conditions throughout the heavy manufacturing centers, and feels very optimistic of the future.

He says in a broad sense the effects of the recent panic are practically obliterated, and unusual conditions of financial stability and heavy manufacturing orders are everywhere in evidence. In short, Mr. Geer says, practically speaking, the volume of business is far more extensive at this particular time than was in evidence two years ago. Every industry is buoyant over the return of better times, and with the heavy crops reported from everywhere, a durable foundation is created that years will not efface.

The sudden change that marks the advent of prosperity, he attributes to the tariff question being settled, and the inaugurating of many gigantic industrial projects that will call for the outlay of millions of capital, drawing extensively on the resources of the country, and giving employment to thousands of workmen.

Linked to the eastern wave of good times, Mr. Geer also stated western mining enterprises would in a few months hence receive such material assistance that he believes it would again place that industry in line for a more extensive system of exploitation than has been in evidence for years, and in which gold and copper mining in northern Arizona would feel the impulse perceptibly.

With all these favorable conditions at hand, he believes that a new era for Yavapai will be experienced this fall, the general belief of eastern investors being that a more inviting field for the investment of capital is not to be found in the west. Mr. Geer will return to his properties this morning, and will soon begin the development of them on an extensive scale.

## FLOODS IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug. 21.—Floods in the state of Victoria have done heavy damage. Many villages are submerged and several fatalities have occurred. Railroad communication between Melbourne and Adelaide has been suspended for three days.

## WIRELESS STATION BURNS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—The operating and condensing building of the Marconi wireless system at Glace Bay, N. S., was burned today and wireless communication across the Atlantic is interrupted.